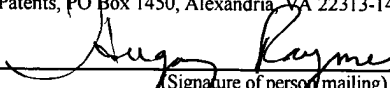




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Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on March 25, 2003, and having an original period for response of one (1) month, which expired on April 25, 2003, be extended by one (1) month, such that it expires on May 27, 2003 (extension to May 25, 2003, results in extension to May 27, 2003, since May 25 was a Sunday and May 26 a Federal Holiday).

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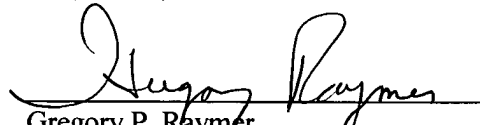
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